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Applicant

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METHOD FOR

SEPARATING/RECOVERING OXYGEN-RICH AIR FROM AIR,

ITS APPARATUS AND GAS SEPARATION MEMBRANE

MODULE

Examiner

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Group Art Unit

Unknown

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PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Mail Stop Amendment

Commissioner for Patents P.O. Box 1450 Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

Prior to examination of the above-identified application, Applicant respectfully submits the following amendments.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 5 of this paper.